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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In Re Application of:

Jeffrey M. Schneider

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For: **Seed Planting Assembly And Liquid
Application Device For Same**

Confirmation No.: 6543

Group Art Unit: 3671

Examiner: TBA

Docket No. 050118-1030

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Mail Stop Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

Sir:

In regard to the above-referenced application, the Applicant submits the following preliminary amendments and remarks to be respectively entered and considered prior to examination.

It is not believed that extensions of time or fees for net addition of claims are required, beyond those that may otherwise be provided for in documents accompanying this paper. However, in the event that additional extensions of time are necessary to allow consideration of this paper, such extensions are hereby petitioned under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), and any fees required therefor (including fees for net addition of claims) are hereby authorized to be charged to Deposit Account No. 20-0778.